In the Claims:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A plant stand, comprising:

at least four rings with different diameters from one another one ring; and at least three vertical supports, configured to slide around the circumference of said at least four rings one ring without being disengaged from said at least four rings; said at least four rings configured to slide inside said at least three vertical supports and arranged in descending diameter of said at least four rings from a top of said at least three vertical supports to a bottom of said at least three vertical supports one ring.

2-12. (CANCELED)

- 13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The stand of claim 1, wherein said at least <u>four rings</u>

 <u>are one ring is</u> permanently attached to said at least three vertical supports and configured

 to prevent loss of said at least one ring and said at least three vertical supports.
- 14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The stand of claim 1, wherein said at least three vertical supports are slidably engaged on said at least <u>four rings</u> one ring, and when said three vertical supports are touching one another, the stand collapses to be stored in a flat position.
- 15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A plant stand, comprising:

at least <u>four rings with different diameters from one another</u> one ring, configured to collapse flat against said vertical supports; and

at least three vertical supports, and said at least three vertical supports configured to slide around the circumference of said at least <u>four rings</u> one ring without being disengaged from said at least <u>four rings</u>;

said at least four rings configured to slide inside said at least three vertical supports and arranged in descending diameter of said at least four rings from a top of said at least three vertical supports one ring.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The plant stand of claim 1, further comprising:

an a c-shaped indentation on each of said at least three vertical supports;

a bend at the end of each of said at least three vertical supports, said bend being below said indentation; and

at least one a ridge on each of said at least four rings one ring, said at least one ridge protruding from said at least four rings one ring and in communication with said at least one ridge fitting within said c-shaped indentation on said at least three vertical supports.